



## Dear District 10 Friends & Residents,

During the last weekend in October I had the pleasure of attending our Community Center's Fall Harvest Festival. While I was blown away by the tremendous amount of activities, crafts and warm sense of community that greeted me, I found that the number of new ideas and resources went far beyond what you might expect to find at a community event. One of the groups which really stood out for me was the Tzu Chi Foundation, which not only focuses on charitable services but also brings to light the benefits of environmental protection. I was astounded by some of the recycled goods that were on display, whether it was a blanket made from 100% recycled plastic bottles or a portable set of utensils that was as compact and sleek as it was environmentally friendly.

Seeing this incredible dedication to the idea of Going Green really got me excited about the future of our City and the ability to bring together the ideas of community and a green vision for tomorrow. San Jose truly is leading the revolution in making sure that we respect and care for the environment in which we live. On October 30th the City Council took great strides to ensure that our children and future generations will be able to enjoy a clean and healthy City for years to come. Mayor Reed presented the Council with his Green Vision, a bold set of goals which outlined 10 major steps the City should achieve within the next 15 years.



Working in tandem with the residents and businesses within our City, the goals were outlined as follows:

- Create 25,000 Clean Tech jobs as the World Center of Clean Tech Innovation
- Reduce per capita energy use by 50 percent
- Receive 100 percent of our electrical power from clean renewable sources
- Build or retrofit 50 million square feet of green buildings
- Divert 100 percent of the waste from our landfill and convert waste to energy
- Recycle or beneficially reuse 100 percent of our wastewater (100 million gallons per day)

## November 2007 Issue



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Councilmember Nancy Pyle sits in front of students at Olinde Elementary School and reads "The Rat and the Tiger" to them. The Assistance League invited Councilmember Pyle to read to the class through their Readers are Leaders program.

- Adopt a General Plan with the measurable standards for sustainable development
- Ensure that 100 percent of public fleet vehicles run on alternative fuels
- Plant 100,000 new trees and replace 100 percent of our streetlights with smart, zero-emission lighting
- Create 100 miles of interconnected trails

Not only do these goals serve the citizens of San Jose, they also build upon the concept of a community that cares as much about its City as we do about each other. While these goals will not be achieved overnight, it falls upon each of us, working together, to ensure that our City leads the nation in this bold new venture. In addition to Council's unanimous decision to adopt Mayor Reed's Green Vision plan at the October 30 th council meeting, we also moved ahead on the City's zero waste goals. Adopting a resolution that established a goal of 75% waste diversion by 2013 and a goal of Zero Waste by 2022 reminds me how bright our future can be.

The green vision for San Jose is ambitious, but our City and our District 10 community has always been ready for the challenges which the future holds. I am confident that our community is ready to come on board with the idea of making this a world-class Green City. I've already seen what some groups are doing to make their mark in this new and growing field. I would encourage you to visit <http://www.tzuchi.org/global/services/envIRON.html> and learn more about the steps this organization is taking in regards to environmental protection. While the Council has taken the first steps, I ask that you join me in making San Jose a world-class City which stays clean and green.

Regards,



Nancy Pyle  
Councilmember, District Ten

### Citywide Update

#### City Responds to Request to Aid Southern Calif. Fire Agencies

During the week of Oct. 26th, the San Jose Fire Department deployed three engine companies as well as a Battalion Chief and Dispatch Supervisor to supplement resources. Additionally, the City also deployed one brush truck to Morgan Hill to fill in for South County Fire assets which were also sent to Southern California. The SJPd also received "heads up" information from the County Sheriff that the Sheriff was providing law enforcement mutual aid to Southern California. The Sheriff's Office informed local jurisdictions that additional mutual resources may be requested.

### Make An Impact in District 10!



*Thinking of ways to get involved in our community?  
For more information please contact the District 10  
Office at (408) 535-4910*

### Assistance League Update

It is tough being a kid today with so much to learn and to do. It's also difficult for schools to provide programs on restricted budgets. Volunteers of Assistance Leagues of San Jose will be in school classrooms throughout the year to help empower students to develop skills aimed at bullying prevention and to encourage a life-long love of reading. We're launching **The Kids on the Block®** puppet show to third graders at 11 local schools. It is designed to help build self-esteem and to provide tools to deal with bullying.

We're also really excited about our newest literacy program, **Readers are Leaders**. Two books will be donated to second grade class libraries and volunteers will read to second graders at 5 different schools. The volunteers come prepared to entertain, enlighten and encourage children by reading carefully selected, age appropriate books.

Through modeling and sharing, volunteers hope to help children become better readers and writers, stimulate imagination and a sense of humor, and nourish their own emotional development.

At Olinder School, we were lucky to have Nancy Pyle read to students. Thanks, Nancy, for your expertise! They enjoyed your reading immensely.

**Elsie Taketa**, AL Public Relations Chair, *Guest Columnist*



- **SJPD Update**

Last month the San Jose Police Department launched new software which allows residents to see exactly what types of incidents are occurring in their area including information about when the crime occurred and the current status of the case. Residents can visit [www.sjpd.org](http://www.sjpd.org) to learn more. San Jose is the first City nationwide to release this software product.

The Police Department Sexual Assault Unit and Child Exploitation Detail assisted with hosting the annual Internet Crimes Against Children Conference held in San Jose's Convention Center. More than 900 people attended from across the country with some traveling internationally.

In other news, congratulations to Officer Valcarcel, who saved an elderly woman's life at the Almaden Chili's on October 25th. While on-duty and having lunch with Sgt. Young, Officer Valcarcel observed a woman choking and unable to breathe. Coming to her aid and administering abdominal thrusts, the food was dislodged and the woman's life was saved.

- **BusinessOwnerSpace.com Launch A Success**

The BOS Launch Week was an absolute success and roughly 500 people attended the official launch of [BusinessOwnerSpace.com](http://BusinessOwnerSpace.com). In the first three days of the BOS website, more than 5,500 hits were recorded and a significant percentage of these were to the partner information and needs assesment section of the website. For more information, be sure to visit BusinessOwnerSpace.com regularly.

- **Mineta San Jose International Airport Update**

The consolidation of three Terminal C security checkpoints has been rescheduled until after the Thanksgiving holiday, which will reduce the impact of the transition on holiday travelers. The revised schedule now calls for the consolidation to take effect in early December. The change will provide more efficient security check-in, better customer service and reduced waiting for passengers, especially at peak times. By bringing three separate checkpoints together in Terminal C, security staff will have more flexibility screening passengers when traffic is greatest.

With the changeover, most food and beverage services and more restrooms in Terminal C now will become post-security, which will make it easier for travelers before boarding their flights. Coffee and snacks will be available pre-security near the baggage claim area. After the consolidation, we will close off the north end of Terminal C to prepare it for demolition to clear the site for the construction of the new Terminal B. This is expected to occur in early 2008.

- **New Online Master Calendar Now Available to the Public**

Effective this week, the City has launched a new online Master Calendar. The calendar provides the public with a single convenient source of information for all official City meetings, including City Council and Council Committee meetings, along with board, committee, commission and task force meetings in one location on the City's website at

**Congratulations and thank you to Carlo Pedron and the hard working members of the Elks Lodge highway cleanup crew.**

Even with rain on the prior evening, the Elks highway team appeared early on the morning of Saturday October 20th to clean up trash on Hwys 85 and 87. Fortunately sunny weather appeared in the morning and going above and beyond their contract obligations, the team cleaned Off and On Ramp abutments as well. The team members truly work hard to do the job right!

Hank Lapachet, Hwy 85 group leader, will be retiring as of this month. We thank Hank for his dedication to our AAH community service.

**Highway 85 South Cleanup Team - Arnold Borge, Hank Lapachet, Bill Pfahn, Bob Galpin**

**Highway 87 South Cleanup Team - Michael Broadus, Don Butler, Ken Fry, Robb Moore, Carlo Pedron, Joe Reader, Mike Weichel**

**The Elks Lodge's next cleanup Saturday, November 17th. Meet at 9 AM.**

**Salvation Army Giving Trees**

**Westfield Oakridge, in partnership with the Salvation Army will be collecting gifts for local underprivileged children and teens during November and December.** In addition, the Westfield Oakridge Management team will donate time to help distribute the gifts to families in the program. Westfield (Oakridge and Valley Fair) is the largest donator of toys in the Santa Clara County.

**Join us as we dedicate the Doris Dillon Children's Library -**

Almaden Branch Library,  
Saturday, November 17, 2007  
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

<http://mastercalendar.sanjoseca.gov>. The calendar gives the user multiple search options and permits City staff to easily update and maintain the listings. It also allows users to "subscribe" to a particular meeting so they will receive changes and updates automatically via e-mail.

- **Sportsfields Update**

The Community Sports Field Feasibility Study group has been meeting monthly from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. In an effort to reach out to neighborhoods throughout the City, these meetings have been held in a different council districts each month. The final two meetings are on November 5th at the Willows Senior Center ( 2175 Lincoln Avenue) and on December 10th at the Almaden Community Center ( 6445 Camden Avenue). Members of the public are encouraged to attend.

- **Holiday Parade Line-Up to Feature National Acts**

The San Jose Holiday Parade, already known as "One of the Top 25 Parades in the US," has announced several acts as part of their entertainment line-up. The world-renown Cirque du Soleil will bring a sneak preview of KOOZA, which will open in San Jose in January, as the Opening Number. This year's Grand Marshal of the parade will be Mickey Mouse, perhaps the best known children's character in the world, who usually only makes an appearance at the nation's top events. A singer from Disney Channel, Monet, will also perform. NBC is sending Reed Diamond, the co-star of *Journeyman*, which is shot in San Francisco as this year's prime-time NBC star. In addition, Public Broadcasting is sending their latest foray into children's programming - RAGGS, a new children's television show on PBS. This year's parade is preparing to entertain millions of people on Sunday, December 2nd, 2007, beginning at 8:30 a.m., televised live on NBC11 at 9:00 a.m. and streamed worldwide on NBC11.com. It is also featured in Southwest Airline's *Spirit Magazine* Calendar section as one of the events to see in December and in Disney's *Family Fun* magazine.

**2:00 pm** - Doris Dillon Children's Library Dedication

**2:45 pm** - Light Reception

**3:15 pm** - Doris Dillon Visiting Author Program featuring Robert San Souci

**4:00 pm** - Book Signing and Closing Reception

"Never lose sight of the big picture and how precious each day is — there is so much sunshine to gather."  
~ *Doris Dillon*

### **We're Looking For A Few Good Volunteers!**

Are you interested in helping out in the local community? Do you have some time in the evening to spend with local teens? Would you be willing to go the extra mile for our District 10 community?

**The Office of Councilmember Nancy Pyle is looking for some dedicated volunteers who are willing to donate their time for several projects we are currently working on.** If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Eric T. Crane, the District 10 Communications Director, at [eric.crane@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:eric.crane@sanjoseca.gov).

## **District 10 Announcements, Highlights & Events**



Start Thanksgiving Day off on the right foot at the Applied Materials Silicon Valley Turkey Trot. Before the big games, the big meal, the parades and the pies why not get in a little run and a lot of fun while benefiting local charities? It's an event the whole family will enjoy, and a great way to kick off your Thanksgiving Day.

**Councilmember Nancy Pyle and Sam Liccardo will be participating in this year's Applied Materials Turkey Trot, a run/walk (your choice) 5k (3miles) or 10k (6.2 miles) through Guadalupe Park, River Gardens, and Downtown San Jose on Thanksgiving morning, November 22nd at 9AM.**

### **City Wide Phone List**

Call Center	535-3500
Police Non-Emergency	311
Code Enforcement	277-4528
Animal Care	578-7297
City Arborist	277-2762
Crime Prevention	277-4133

## There is also a short kid's fun run!

This event raises money for 3 worthy charities that bring our community Health, Hope, and Home: They are the Santa Clara Family Health Foundation, The Housing Trust, and The Second Harvest Food Bank. To register electronically go to their website at: [www.svlg.net](http://www.svlg.net) or mail form to:

Silicon Valley Turkey Trot  
c/o Silicon Valley Leadership Group  
224 Airport Parkway, Suite 620  
San Jose , CA 95110

## Race Info \ Start Times

**7:30 am** Check In

**9:00 am** Turkey Trot 5k Run/Walk  
Turkey Trot 10k Run

**10:00 am** Seagate Elite Athlete Invitational (Women)  
Kaiser Permanente/Pacific Association/USATF Open Women's 5K  
Championship

**10:20 am** Seagate Elite Athlete Invitational (Men)  
Santa Clara Valley National Bank/Pacific Association/USATF  
Open Men's 5K Championship

**10:40 am** Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Kids Fun Run

Hosted by:



## Downtown Ice is Back!

**Nov. 16, 2007 - Jan. 13, 2008**

*Skate under the stars—and palm trees—in the heart of Downtown*



Downtown Ice is located in a spectacular setting -- the Circle of Palms between the Fairmont Hotel and San Jose Museum of Art. The South Bay's largest seasonal outdoor skating rink, produced by the San Jose Downtown Association, is directly across Market Street from Plaza de Cesar Chavez.

We strive to take care of our customers and make this ice rink the best skating experience in the West. In 2006-07, almost 41,000 skaters came through the turnstiles - our best year yet in the Circle of Palms. Be sure to come downtown and enjoy special arts performances, museum exhibits and all the fun downtown has to offer. You'll also find great dining and shopping, so make a day of exploring and skating downtown during the holiday season. The cost of tickets is \$14 for adults and \$12 for children 12 and under. **The rink is open from Nov. 16 - Dec 20 from 5pm to 10 pm on Mon. thru Thurs. and 5pm to Midnight Friday, Noon to Midnight on Saturday and Noon to 10 pm on Sunday. December 21st through January 4th the rink will be open from Noon to Midnight.**

Crime Stoppers	947-STOP
Drug Hotline	971-DRUG
DOT	277-4373
Environmental Services	535-8550
Hazardous Materials	277-4659
Housing	535-3860
Neighborhood Development Center	723-4114
Parking Enforcement	534-2900
Vehicle Abatement	277-5305
Gang Hotline	293-4264
Anti-Graffiti/Litter	277-3208

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For more information, call (408) 279-1775 or visit [www.sjdowntown.com](http://www.sjdowntown.com)

**Need to ice skate today?** Try [Sharks Ice at San Jose](#) or call 279-6000.

**Rink info:** call (408) 279-1775

## Neighborhood Center

**Councilmember Nancy Pyle**

*Cordially invites you to attend her*

**Second Annual**

**Family Holiday Festival & Toys for Tots Gift Drive**

**Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007**

**1:30 pm – 4:00 pm**

**Almaden Community Center**

**Community Room**

**6445 Camden Ave.**

**San Jose, CA 95120**

*Featuring:*

Castillero Middle School Choir

Holiday Crafts and Activities

Storytime from the Almaden Library

*Sponsored by:*

**Almaden  
Resident**

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## World Calendar

**November 2007**

*The name 'November' is believed to derive from 'novem' which is Latin for the number 'nine'. In the ancient Roman calendar November was the ninth month after March. **Please remember that November 4th marks the end of Daylight Savings Time.***

Monday, November 5th: 7:00 - 9:00 pm

**Almaden Valley Community Association (AVCA) meeting**

Almaden Community Center ; 6445 Camden Avenue <http://www.avca-sj.org>

Tuesday, November 6th: 7:00 pm

**Commendation for AVCA President Art Boudreault & veteran Frank Carbone**

Council Chambers, San Jose City Hall; 200 East Santa Clara Street

Wednesday, November 7th: 9:45 am - 11:00

**Almaden Senior Association Monthly Meeting**

Almaden Community Center ; 6445 Camden <http://www.almadenseniors.org/>

Wednesday, November 7th: 6:30 – 8:00 pm

**District 10 Traffic Calming**

Almaden Winery Community Center ; 5730 Chambertin

Wednesday, November 7th: 7:30 - 8:30 pm

**Montevideo Homeowners' Association Monthly Meeting**

Corner of Coleman and Camden

## Traffic Calming Update for District 10

Last month two significant meetings took place which addressed traffic and safety issues both in our District, as well as citywide. The first was an extremely well-coordinated meeting that was arranged by the Graystone Lane community in response to the tragic accident last July that took the lives of four Almaden residents.

Staff from the City's Department of Transportation and the SJPD participated in this cross-jurisdictional neighborhood meeting at the Almaden Community Center. Chief Davis and several other officers were on hand, as well as Councilmember Pyle and Supervisor Don Gage. The focus of the meeting was to discuss concerns regarding traffic and pedestrian safety along Graystone Lane. Other agencies and participants included the California Highway Patrol, Santa Clara County Sheriff's office, and the Santa Clara Valley Water District. The City and County provided a great deal of information regarding potential short term and long term strategies to deal with this issue.

The second meeting that took place was a forum on Teen Driving Safety that was coordinated by Councilmember Pyle, the Almaden Valley Counseling Service and Leland High School. The forum addressed issues such as the top ten causes of teen crashes, strategies for parents when talking to teens about driving, and tips on safe driving in general. The forum was a tremendous success.

**If you were unable to attend these meetings, please join us at District 10's Traffic Calming Community Meeting in November.**

*Mayor Chuck Reed and the San Jose City Council request your input at the Traffic Calming Community Meeting for District 10.*

November 7th  
6:30 pm to 8:00 pm  
Almaden Winery Community Center  
(5730 Chambertin Dr.)

We'd like to get your opinion and priorities on what should be done to ease the flow of traffic in residential areas. Community involvement is critical. For more information, please contact the District 10 office at 408-535-4910.

Wednesday, November 7th: 6:00– 8:00 PM  
**D10 Youth Advisory Council Meeting**  
Almaden Community Center ; 6445 Camden

Thursday , November 8th: 7:00 - 8:30 pm  
**Santa Teresa Foothills Neighborhood Association (STFNA)**  
Southside Community Center  
<http://www.stfna.org/stf>

Saturday, November 10th: 6:00 - 11:00 PM  
**Almaden Business Association Texas Hold'em Tournament**  
Santa Clara County Horseman's Association;  
20350 McKean Road, San Jose

**Monday, November 12th: Veteran's Day**  
**Thursday, November 22nd: Thanksgiving**

Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>: 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm  
**VEP Neighborhood Association Meeting**  
Vista Park Community Room; Hyde Park Dr. & New Compton Drive <http://www.vepca.org>

Saturday, December 1st, 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm  
**Councilmember Nancy Pyle's Second Annual Family Holiday Festival**  
Almaden Community Center ; 6445 Camden

**"This nation will remain the land of the free only so long as it is the home of the brave." ~Elmer Davis**

As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.  
~John Fitzgerald Kennedy, on Thanksgiving

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District 10 constituent comments, concerns & requests by topic (June 2007 - September 2007)

